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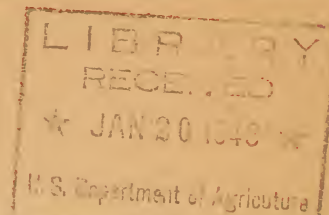
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FOOD PROSPECTS FOR 1943



Food for the home front in 1943 will depend on farm supplies ~~such as labor,~~ machinery, and fertilizer, on processing and transportation, and on the weather.

Here are food predictions for the new year as offered by _____ (Name)

_____ from information given by home economists
(Title) (Place)
of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Cereals: Ample supply. Even if the 1943 grain crop is short, people in the United States can have their daily bread and porridge, too, because of the large carry-over of grain foods.

Fats and oils: Not quite such a large supply as in '42 but larger than in prewar years.

Sugar: Supplies may be smaller than last year because of transportation difficulties. American families will be able to eat more grain foods, potatoes, and beans to supply food energy formerly supplied by sugar. This may improve diets. White sugar offers only calories, but whole grains, potatoes, and beans offer minerals and vitamins as well.

Potatoes and dried beans: More sweetpotatoes and dried beans in prospect, but fewer white potatoes unless the 1943 crop is larger than average.

Fruits and vegetables: Fresh fruits and vegetables will depend on crops, labor, and shipping. Some fruit crops are likely to be short. Fewer canned fruits and vegetables will be on the grocery shelves. Family gardens and home food preservation will be important. Wise gardeners will plant crops that offer most in food value.

Poultry, eggs, meat, and fish: More eggs and poultry will be produced in 1943, but civilians may get less because demand for overseas shipment will be tremendous. Meat rationing is expected in order to give everyone a fair share. Fish supplies will be smaller.

Milk: Though the total milk supply may average about the same, civilians will probably have less because of the demand for milk and milk products by our armed forces and allies.

